In situ code coupling and analysis – an essential capability for advanced large scale simulations

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Objectives

- Provide tools for online and In-situ data analytics
 - E.g. visualization, feature tracking
- Enable integrated and coupled multi-physics simulation
 - E.g. integrated climate modeling, fusion simulation, subsurface modeling, material science workflows

Scientific Simulation wisualization images View from single physical machine Parallel Rendering execution client is simulation process MEM MEM Supercomputer Cluster Users execution client is simulation process visualization process with the physical machine applications MEM

In-situ execution of simulation and visualization processes on a multi-core platform

Impact

- Enable in-situ execution of coupled scientific workflow
- Enabled coupled simulation / data analytics /data processing workflow composed as a DAG of tasks
- The DataSpaces tool was used for shared space programming abstraction to coordinate data sharing for in-memory code coupling

Accomplishments

Two workflow scenarios evaluated on Cray XT5

- Significant saving in the amount of data transferred over the network by co-locating data producers and consumers on the same processor
- Data transfer time (and energy) decreased as much of the coupled data is retrieved directly from on-processor shared memory

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Physical processor core

